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**MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT
HOPE CREEK GENERATING STATION
DOCKET NO. 50-354**

In compliance with Section 6.9, Reporting Requirements for the Hope Creek Technical Specifications, the operating statistics for **September 2004** are being forwarded.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Hutton", written over a horizontal line.

James A. Hutton
Hope Creek Plant Manager

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 UNIT: Hope Creek
 DATE: 10/6/04
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Reporting Period September 2004

OPERATING DATA REPORT

Design Electrical Rating (MWe-Net)
 Maximum Dependable Capacity (MWe-Net)

 No. of hours reactor was critical
 No. of hours generator was on line (service hours)
 Unit reserve shutdown hours
 Net Electrical Energy (MWH)

1083		
1049		
Month	Year-to-date	Cumulative
720	6027	134553
720	5889	131845
0	0	0
723027	5800719	133539991

UNIT SHUTDOWNS

NO.	DATE	TYPE F=FORCED S=SCHEDULED	DURATION (HOURS)	REASON (1)	METHOD OF SHUTTING DOWN THE REACTOR (2)	CORRECTIVE ACTION/ COMMENT

(1) Reason

A - Equipment Failure (Explain)
 B - Maintenance or Test
 C - Refueling
 D - Regulatory Restriction
 E - Operator Training/License Examination
 F - Administrative
 G - Operational Error (Explain)
 H - Other

(2) Method

1 - Manual
 2 - Manual Trip/Scram
 3 - Automatic Trip/Scram
 4 - Continuation
 5 - Other (Explain)

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Summary Of Monthly Operating Experience

- Hope Creek entered the month at approximately 100% reactor power.
- On September 4, there was a planned power reduction to approximately 69% to repair a Feedwater Heater Steam Supply Valve. Power was returned to 100% on September 5.
- On September 16, power was reduced to approximately 50% due to a 500kv line outage. Power was returned to 100% on September 19.
- At the end of the month, Hope Creek completed 170 days of continuous on-line operation.